

EYES OF EUROPE NOW TURNED TO BULGARIA

BALKAN STATES SEETHING CAULDRON OF INTRIGUES AND INTERNAL STRIFE

GREECE IS KEY TO SITUATION

DIPLOMATS, WITH LURING PROMISES TRYING TO WIN NEUTRAL STATES

(By Associated Press.) London, Aug. 16.—The Balkan crisis is drawing to a climax.

The national assemblies of Serbia and Greece met today with the probability of coming to a definite decision regarding Bulgaria's territorial demands, upon which hangs the question of united action of the Balkan states with the Allies.

In the best quarters the outlook is regarded with pessimism. It is expected that Serbia will seek a compromise and Greece will reject the Bulgarian contentions. Reports coming from Athens indicate that the king is insisting that the new cabinet maintain neutrality.

Meanwhile there are many evidences of Austro-German preparations to deal with the Balkan situation. Bucharest reports that a German army corps is concentrated near the junction of Hungary, Roumania and Serbia. This, with the bombardment of Belgrade and the activity of the Austrian artillery at many points on the Danube, lends support to the reports that a great Austro-German offensive is possible in the Balkans.

London, Aug. 16.—The situation in Poland and the Baltic provinces is changing only little from day to day, and public interest is being turned to the near east, where the diplomats of the Quadruple Entente Powers are endeavoring to revive the Balkan states over to their side, and to the armies of the allies which the battling against the Turks on the Gallipoli peninsula and in the Caucasus.

The diplomats of all the belligerents for the moment are concentrating their attention on Sofia, for Bulgaria holds the key to the situation. It is said she is being smiled upon and offered territorial gains by the Entente allies as well as the central powers.

Hampered by Friends. Both the German and the Entente ministers are declared to be finding their endeavors hindered by their friends. Greece and Serbia are unwilling to concede to Bulgaria the parts of Macedonia which are her prize for joining the allies, while Turkey is opposing concessions which Austria and Germany desire her to make to insure the continued neutrality of the Sofia government.

Bulgaria, too, it is asserted, is weighing the victory the Austro-Germans have gained in Poland against the renewed efforts of the Allies in the Dardanelles and the reported signing.

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BURLY BLACKAMORE FOUND ON STREET IN "COMATOS STATE"

It required the combined efforts of two policemen to take a burly Blackamore to the "hugogow" this morning. The colored brother was too full for utterance. Where he got the booze is not yet known. When found he was lying serenely in a gutter on West Harrison, dead to the world. A partly filled bottle of 40-rod was found in his pocket. The man is a stranger in town and no one seems to know him. As Officer Baxter puts it "he is in a comatos condition." Up to three o'clock this afternoon he was still "comatosing."

OLSMITH TAKES OVER GUTHRIE POST OFFICE

MCCOY, AFTER 17 YEARS UNBROKEN SERVICE, STEPS DOWN AND OUT

For the first time in 17 years, Guthrie has a new postmaster. Judge Frank Olsmith received his long delayed commission Sunday night, and formally took possession of the office this morning. "The commission came just in time to divide the August salary 50-50," said the new P. M. The commission is a recess appointment and is good until congress meets this winter, at which time a 4-year commission will be issued. Thus after a delay of 6 months a Democrat is finally placed in charge of the best federal office in Logan county. The salary of the Guthrie office is \$3,000 per year.

Judge Olsmith needs no introduction to the people of Guthrie. He came here in 1889 and has been a resident continually ever since. During all of that time he has been consistently a Democrat and has been chosen to several positions of trust by his fellow townsmen. In the days before statehood he was successively elected police judge and later on was selected as mayor of the city. Prior to coming to Guthrie he was Indian in Lincoln county. He is a veteran of the Civil War and is one of the youngest members of the local G. A. R. post, being but 68 years of age.

The appointment of Judge Olsmith is generally acceptable to the citizenship of Guthrie and county regardless of politics. He was nominated by Senator Owen, Senator Gore and Congressman Thompson receiving in the appointment.

E. L. HIRSCHI BUYS DALE BLOCK FOR \$10,000

A real estate deal, whereby E. L. Hirschi becomes sole owner of the Dale brick block on Oklahoma avenue, formerly occupied by the clothing store of J. J. Abell, was consummated this morning. The transfer has been made and Mr. Hirschi will begin immediately to move his hardware stock into the new location. Mr. Hirschi paid Judge Dale \$10,000 for the property. There was no incumbrance on the property.

WALKING IN SLEEP FATAL

Houston, Tex., Aug. 16.—Coming to Houston to nurse her daughter-in-law, Mrs. L. Clothier, 77 years old, fell down a flight of stairs while walking in her sleep Tuesday night and died last night.

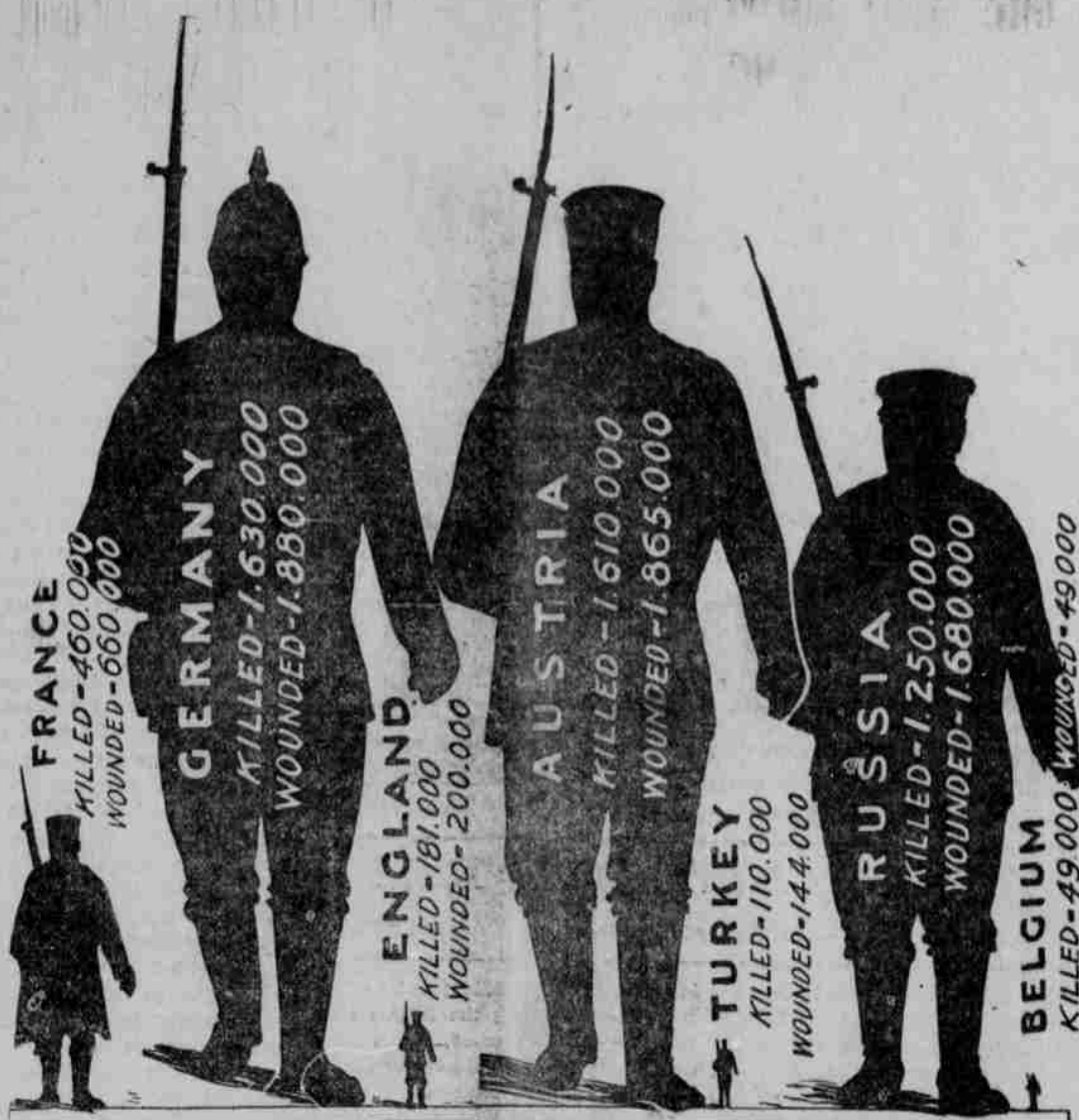
DIVORCE EVIL SPREADING IN UNITED STATES

CATHOLIC LAYMEN, LAWYERS AND OTHERS URGED TO HALT MENACE

Toledo, O., Aug. 15.—The American Federation of Catholic Societies, in annual convention here today discussed divorce evils. One of the principal addresses was by Frederick W. Mansfield of Boston, who appealed to all lawyers of Roman Catholic faith to help the church combat the divorce evil by refusing to accept divorce cases as part of their business. Mr. Mansfield said: "Catholic laymen could do much to help the church eradicate the divorce evil. The time is not ripe yet to advocate legislation which would abolish divorce entirely, but at least much might be done to check its spread and to lessen its evil influence. In Massachusetts a Catholic lawyers league has been organized, its object being the extirpation of divorce. Its constitution has just been approved by His Eminence Cardinal O'Connell and much good is expected of its work. "We earnestly urge upon every Catholic lawyer in every state in this

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Comparative Losses of Seven Nations in the War



CARRANZA SEES THE LIGHT, AND WILL BE GOOD

PROMISES SAFE CONDUCT TO U. S. MESSENGERS WITH PEACE PROPOSALS

(By Associated Press.) BULLETIN:

Brownsville, Texas, Aug. 16.—Reports of renewed attempts by Mexican bandits to reorganize their bands in the lower Rio Grande valley were brought here this afternoon by J. J. Sanders, Captain of the Texas Rangers.

Carranza Sees "The Light." Washington, Aug. 16.—Assurances that Carranza will not obstruct the delivery of the Pan-American appeal, reached the state department in a message from Mexico City, saying that Carranza had "promised safe conduct to messengers who carry the appeal to General Zapata and others." No replies have been received yet.

Aeroplane Go to Front

Lawton, Okla., Aug. 16.—A second aeroplane section to reinforce the one already ordered from Fort Sill to the Texas border was late Sunday ordered to train for Brownsville, Texas. A battalion of scouts, consisting of

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NORTHERN OKLAHOMA RAILROAD PROPOSED

TO BEGIN ON SANTA FE BETWEEN ALVA AND WOODWARD, CN TO THIS CITY

Considerable progress is understood to have been made on the preliminary work of securing bonuses for construction of a railroad that is to tap the wheat belt of Northwest Oklahoma. The first part of the line to be considered is from a point on the Santa Fe between Alva and Woodward to Buffalo, in Harper county. This is a distance of about sixty miles. The general plan of the promoters of the line is understood to be to build from the Santa Fe southeasterly toward Oklahoma City, ultimately reaching

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FINDS GOLD IN WASHITA MOUNTAINS

RICH OKLAHOMA MAN SAYS NEW FIELD IS RICH IN QUARTZ

Sapulpa, Okla., Aug. 16.—H. H. Jones, a wealthy democratic politician and farmer of Sapulpa, with an old prospector who has lived in the Washita mountains in the southwest part of the state for several years, claims to have discovered the gold mine said to be located somewhere in those mountains and long considered a myth. A quartz nugget worth more than \$50 was exhibited in Sapulpa yesterday and the prospector is said to have found a lead extending for sixty miles through the mountains.

The men refused to reveal the location, but Jones said he is backing the venture to the limit.

A rush of prospectors to the mountains resulted from the report.

APPORTIONMENT FOR SCHOOLS IS LARGE THIS YEAR

AMOUNTS TO \$555,000 NOW AND WILL BE INCREASED MATERIALLY LATER

Oklahoma City, Aug. 16.—Semi-school funds has been made by the state school land commissioners. The sum annual apportionment of the common this period is \$555,000, being 90c per capita for the scholastic population. The last preceding apportionment was \$1.20 per capita. The summer apportionment is generally less than the winter distribution, for the reason that rents are paid in the fall in most instances.

It is the opinion of Secretary Geo. A. Smith of the school land commission that the apportionment for next winter will be the largest ever made in this state. This is due to the sale this fall and summer of the school lands in a number of counties and the necessity for collection of all arrears of rent as a prerequisite of the sale to the lessee or out of the proceeds of improvements. If sale be

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AMERICA DENIES CONTENTIONS OF TEUTON ALLIES

PRINCIPLES AND PRACTICES OF NATIONS AND SAFETY OF U. S. FORBIDS

Washington, D. C., Aug. 16.—The state department Sunday night made public the reply of the United States rejecting views set forth by the Austro-Hungarian government in a recent note contending that exportation of war munitions from America to Austria's enemies was conducted on such a scale as to be "not in consonance with the definition of neutrality."

Though friendly in language and tone, the note flatly denies the Austro-Hungarian contentions and recalls that that country and Germany furnished munitions of war to Great Britain during the Boer war when England's enemies could not import such supplies. It insists the American government is pursuing a strictly neutral course in adhering to a principle upon which it would depend for munitions in the markets of the world in case it should be attacked by a foreign power.

"The principles of international law," the communication concludes, "the practice of nations, the national safety of the United States and other

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500 TONS A DAY POWDER CAPACITY

FOURTH PLANT TO BE BUILT BY DU PONT COMPANY HAS LARGE CAPACITY

Wilmington, Del., Aug. 16.—While the officers of the Du Pont Powder Company refuse to confirm or deny rumors of orders which have been received, it is generally understood that the company has just received the largest individual order in the history of the company. The first rumor had it that the order was from the Allies and amounted to 25,000,000 pounds of powder, which, at the current price for war powder, would amount to \$35,000,000 pounds of powder and amounts to between \$35-

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HERE'S A CHANCE FOR PRETTY GUTHRIE GIRLS

MEDICINE PARK MOVIE STUDIO LOOKING FOR STATE'S MOST BEAUTIFUL GIRL

An Oklahoma moving picture company, with studio at Medicine Park, the Mid-Western Film Mfg. Co., has inaugurated a state-wide search for Oklahoma's most beautiful and talented girl and in a week's time agrees to take 100 girls for a week's vacation at Medicine Park and there test them all before a jury of camera men as to their fitness for the position of leading lady in the movies. The company will begin at 9 o'clock produce for the regular season.

The 100 girls will be found through 100 theatres which are associated in the ownership of the Mid-Western, for the "movie" fans shall be the best judges in selecting "movie" talent. Each theatre will select and send one girl—the winner of its local contest—after the girl shall have been named by popular vote.

The manager of the Lyric theatre, where the Guthrie representative will be chosen, says he is confident that more beautiful girls have a high degree of histrionic talent will be discovered in Guthrie than anywhere else in the state. But as to who shall represent Guthrie and secure a try-out for leading lady—possibly winning that honor—the people must say. Character, education, refinement, together with talent and beauty, all are necessary and combined in the great motion picture stars. Guthrie should select her best and all qualified young ladies should enter this contest.

WOMEN PREPARING FOR FALL FLOWER SHOW

Ladies of the city federation of clubs are preparing for a big flower show to be staged sometime this fall. The date has not yet been settled on definitely. But that it will be the biggest and best ever is settled. Many prizes that will be worth while competing for have been guaranteed by local merchants and others, which will insure a spirited contest for the most beautiful display, etc. Announcement of date and details will be made soon.

OIL MAGNATE-SPORTSMAN DIES

Clarksburg, W. Va., Aug. 16.—Charles S. Smiley, oil magnate, banker and sportsman, died at his home here after an illness of two years. Mr. Smiley won the southern regatta yacht race at Fort Pierce, Texas, in 1912 and was a participant in some of the largest yachting races held in this country.

SLAV ARMIES JAMMED BY FOE'S FLANKS

MUSCOVITES ARE IN FULL FLIGHT; FRENCH VICTORIOUS IN THE WEST

(By Associated Press.) Berlin, Aug. 16.—Field Marshal Von Mackensen is continuing pursuit of the retreating Russians from the south toward Brest. Litovsk has occupied Cisle and Slawatke, according to an official announcement. The army of Prince Leopold which is pressing the Russians from the west has occupied Lysce and Medzyrzec.

Russians in "Dead Run"

London, Aug. 16.—Having recovered from the check inflicted on him early in the week by the Russians, General Von Buelow, commanding that portion of the army of Field Marshal Von Hindenburg operating to the west of the River Dvinsk, again has taken the offensive and, according to the official report published by Berlin today, has beaten the Russians in the battle in the vicinity of Kubisko and pushed them back in a northeasterly direction, taking 2,000 prisoners. To the south before Korno the Rus-

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CITY DESERTED WHILE GUTHRIANS PICK PEACHES

CITY'S POPULATION FLOCK TO ORCHARDS IN EFFORT TO SAVE CROPS

TRAINLOADS OF ELBERTAS ARE RUSHING EASTWARD

1915 WILL BE BANNER FRUIT YEAR IN THE HISTORY OF LOGAN COUNTY

Notwithstanding the heavy rains of Saturday, thousands of bushels of Elbertas were gathered, packed and shipped Sunday.

Hundreds of Guthrie citizens, business men, professional men, boys, girls and women, rallied to the aid of the distressed orchard owners and helped gather the fast ripening peach crop. Several hundred wagons and automobiles were filled with pickers and packers early Sunday morning, bound for the orchards. Again this morning, beginning at daylight, the stream of vehicles began to flow orchardwards from Guthrie.

It is estimated that not less than 300 car loads of Elbertas, were shipped from Guthrie Sunday; ten cars from the Spurlock orchard alone went eastward.

L. I. Beland shipped four car loads and W. H. Coyle eight. Coyle has seven orchards and so far has shipped out 27 car loads of Elbertas.

Last week the crop moved eastward at the rate of 50 car loads daily; this week that will be increased to at least 75 cars.

The orchard owner pays to labor 22 cents per bushel for handling, this figured on a basis of 250,000 bushels picked, means that \$57,200 will be distributed among Guthrie people during the season, which will last probably fifteen days.

The hot sun of today is ripening the peaches fast, and extra large forces of pickers and packers are being used to gather the crop.

Congregations at some of the Guthrie churches were greatly reduced Sunday morning on account of the frantic appeal of the peach growers for help to save their fine fruit before it got beyond the point of salvation.

Most of the people are usually found among the congregations at some of the city churches. Some of the ministers would have been glad to have been able to help in the work. One said: "With so many people hungry for a taste of our fine fruit of which we are likely to have more than can be saved, it really looks wasteful if not sinful if we fail to help save these fine peaches." Another today said: "I wish that I, with every member of my congregation, might have spent yesterday in the work of saving some of the fine peaches which are bound to go to waste. How great the joy would be next winter if the needy widows and hungry children could have a part of this fine fruit which we will not be able to save."

Saturday several distress calls were sounded. Some of the heavy growers from other parts of Logan

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THE WEATHER



(By Associated Press.) New Orleans, La., Aug. 15.—Tonight and Tuesday, rain.